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In re Patent Application of:

Ricardo E. Paxson *et al.*

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Art Unit: 1631

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
INTEGRATED MODELING, SIMULATION
AND ANALYSIS OF CHEMICAL AND
BIOCHEMICAL REACTIONS

Examiner: S. Zhou

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION SUBMITTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 4, 2009 (Paper No. 20090727), the due date of which is extended to January 4, 2010 due to the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, please reconsider the above-identified U.S. patent application in view of the following. A Request for Continued Examination is submitted herewith.

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